

Docket No. 520.43239X00
Serial No.10/702,548
Office Action dated May 29, 2008

REMARKS

I. Introduction

By the present Amendment, claims 5, 10, 15, and 19 have been amended. Claim 13 has been cancelled. Accordingly, Claims 5, 10, and 15-20 remain pending in the application.

II. Office Action Summary

In the Office Action of May 29, 2008, claim 19 was objected to because of an informality. Claim 13 was rejected under 35 USC §101 as being directed to non-statutory subject matter. Claims 5, 10, and 15-20 were rejected under 35 USC §112, second paragraph, as being indefinite. These rejections are respectfully traversed.

III. Objections to the Claims

Claim 19 was objected to because of an informality. Regarding this objection, the Office Action indicates that claim 19 appears to depend from itself.

By the present Amendment, Applicants have amended claim 19 to correct this informality, and properly reflect dependency from claim 10.

Withdrawal of this objection is therefore respectfully requested.

IV. Rejections under 35 USC §101

Claim 13 was rejected under 35 USC §101 as being directed to non-statutory subject matter.

By the present Amendment, Applicants have cancelled claim 13, thereby rendering this particular ground of rejection moot.

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V. Rejections under 35 USC §112

Claims 5, 10, and 15-20 were rejected under 35 USC §112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter regarded as the invention. Regarding this rejection, the Office Action cites various instances of language that was considered indefinite and/or otherwise lacking in proper antecedent basis.

By the present Amendment, Applicants have amended claims 5, 10, and 15 to address all instances of indefiniteness raised in the Office Action. Applicants respectfully submit that, as amended, the presently pending claims satisfy the requirements of 35 USC §112, second paragraph.

Withdrawal of this rejection is therefore respectfully requested.

VI. Conclusion

For the reasons stated above, it is respectfully submitted that all of the pending claims are now in condition for allowance. Therefore, the issuance of a Notice of Allowance is believed in order, and courteously solicited.


If the Examiner believes that there are any matters which can be resolved by way of either a personal or telephone interview, the Examiner is invited to contact Applicants' undersigned attorney at the number indicated below.

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AUTHORIZATION

Applicants request any shortage or excess in fees in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, and for which no other form of payment is offered, be charged or credited to Deposit Account No. 01-2135 (Case: 520.43239X00).

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